

George Harper Store
Northeast corner of Maryland Rte. 292
and Main Street
Still Pond
Kent County
Maryland

HABS No. MD-324

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STATE MARYLAND	COUNTY KENT	TOWN OR VICINITY STILL POND
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) GEORGE HARPER STORE		HABS NO. MD-324
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Located at the junction of Maryland Rte. 292 and Main Street.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Circa 1877.	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The original structure was intended to be a dry goods store and had remained so until 1964 when it became an antique shop. Considerable alterations and additions have created an irregular plan and roof shape.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Small vernacular commercial building.		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Of wood frame with clapboard siding.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) This U-shaped structure measures approximately 89'x74' in over-all dimensions and stands two stories high.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The vernacular structure is simple and unadorned. The original L-shaped portion with a cross-gable roof, contains five six-over-six-light windows on the second floor and three large two-over-two-light windows on the first floor. The gable roof is pierced by two interior end chimneys on the front portion and one in the rear ell. The two story ligature contains a gable roof with the gable end facing the principal side.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) The first floor plan for the structure (including the addition) is open. The original portion contains two rows of five columns that support the second floor; the addition contains a single row of five columns. The second floor plan closely resembles the first floor. An open stairway, located in the center of the open space, ascends to the second floor.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES By the year 1918, the store had been enlarged by adding an adjacent building on the property, connecting it by a two-story ligature and adding a second floor to the north, rear storeroom. The porch that extends the full length of the front was also added.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE The structure is in good condition and is presently undergoing rehabilitation for use as an Arts and Crafts center.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)		
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